

## The Alexandria Gazette

TUESDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 20.

## THE PRESIDENT'S VETO.

President Johnson has vetoed the Freedmen's Bureau bill recently passed by Congress. The conservative people of the U. S. in all sections, north and south, east and west, will heartily approve of his course in this particular. His arguments against the proposed measure are conclusive, and the spirit and temper of his remarks admirable. His objections are fundamental and exceptionless. The President not only pronounces the measure unconstitutional but inexpedient, impracticable, and expensive in its operation, and as in violation of the rights and interests of the States. He tells Congress that "query may well arise whether the system proposed by this bill would not, when put into complete operation, practically transfer the entire case, support and control of four millions of emancipated slaves to agents, overseers, or taskmasters who, appointed at Washington, are to be located in every county and parish throughout the United States containing freedmen and refugees? Such a system would inevitably tend to a concentration of power in the Executive, which would enable him, if so disposed, to control the action of this numerous class, and use them for the attainment of his own political ends."

The conclusion of this admirable document is as follows:—"As eleven States are not at this time represented in either branch of Congress, it would seem to be his duty on all proper occasions to present their just claims to Congress. There always will be differences of opinion in the community, and individuals may be guilty of transgressions of the law; but these do not constitute valid objections against the right of a State to representation. I would in no wise interfere with the discretion of Congress with regard to the qualifications of members, but I hold it my duty to recommend to you, in the interests of peace and in the interests of Union, the admission of every State to its share in public legislation, when, however insubordinate, insurgent, or rebellious its people may have been, it presents itself not only in an attitude of loyalty and harmony, but in the persons of representatives, whose loyalty cannot be questioned under any existing Constitutional or legal test."

It is plain that an indefinite or permanent exclusion of any part of the country from representation must be attended by a spirit of diequiet and complaint. It is unwise and dangerous to pursue a course of measures which will unite a very large section of the country against another large section of the country, however much the latter may preponderate. The course of emigration, the developments of industry and business, and natural causes, will raise up at the South men as devoted to the Union as those of any other part of the land. But if they are all excluded from Congress—if, in a permanent statute, they are declared not to be in full constitutional relations to the country, they may think they have cause to become a unit in feelings and sentiment against the Government. Under the political education of the American people, the idea is inherent and ineradicable that the consent of the majority of the whole people is necessary to secure a willing acquiescence in legislation.

The bill under consideration refers to certain of the States as though they had not been fully restored in all their constitutional relations to the United States. If they have not, let us at once act together to secure that desirable end at the earliest possible moment. It is hardly necessary for me to inform Congress so far at least as depends upon their own action, that in my own judgment most of those States, have already been fully restored, and are to be deemed as entitled to enjoy their constitutional rights as members of the Union. Reasoning from the Constitution itself, and from the actual situation of the country, I feel not only entitled, but bound to assume that with the Federal courts restored, and those of the several States in the full exercise of their functions, the rights and interests of all classes of the people will, with the aid of the military in cases of resistance to the law, be essentially protected against unconstitutional infringement and violation.

Should this expectation unhappily fail, which I do not anticipate, then the Executive is already fully armed with the powers conferred by the act of March, 1865, establishing the Freedmen's Bureau, and hereafter, as heretofore, he can employ the land and naval forces of the country to suppress insurrection, or to overcome obstructions to the laws."

Died, at Ashland, Kentucky, on the 6th instant, Aaron Dupee, age seventy-eight years, for a long time a faithful servant of the late Hon. Henry Clay. He was born in Hanover county, Virginia, and came to Kentucky about the close of the last century, in the family of the mother of Mr. Clay. His many and long-continued services in the family to which he belonged, fully entitled him to the most grateful and affectionate remembrance of the surviving.

It will be interesting to the ladies to learn that the "waterfall" is being rapidly discarded, having been superseded by various fanciful and artistic methods of dressing the hair.

## PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

**SENATE.**—Yesterday—The following petitions were presented: From citizens of Berkeley and Jefferson counties to Virginia, against the cession of those counties West Virginia; From a negro convention in Florida, asking for a grant of homesteads, educational assistance, and the privilege of the elective franchise. The House bill consenting to the annexation of Berkeley and Jefferson counties to West Virginia, was reported, with amendments.—Mr. Wilson offered a joint resolution to disband the militia forces in the eleven "Rebel" States. During his speech in advocacy of the resolution, he was asked by Mr. Saulsbury, whether Congress has power to disband the militia of Massachusetts. Mr. Wilson replied that he was not prepared to answer that question, but contended that Congress had an absolute right to disarm the people of the Southern States. A message was received from the President, returning the Freedmen's Bureau bill without his assent. When the reading of the message was concluded, the galleries broke out into a mingled storm of applause and disapprobation. They were ordered to be cleared and were cleared accordingly. A discussion then ensued as to whether the Senate would act upon the message at once or postpone the vote upon it until to-day. After some debate, it was concluded to adjourn, with the understanding that the question should come up to-day as unfinished business.

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.**—A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury stated the aggregate of taxes collected in the Southern States, from April 1st, 1865, to February 1st, 1866, amounts to twenty-seven million, nine hundred and forty-five thousand, seven hundred and forty dollars. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue law so as to constrain all railroad companies, charging more than three cts. per mile for wheat, corn, oats, &c., to pay fifteen per ct. tax on their gross receipts, was referred. A bill authorizing the Secretary of War to transfer to benevolent institutions, in any State, materials for constructing barracks or hospitals, not exceeding a cost of \$5,000, was referred. A Constitutional amendment was offered by Mr. McKee, of Kentucky, prohibiting any person who was in any way connected with the Confederate States Government from holding any office under the U. S. Government. It was referred. A bill protecting from illegal arrest all persons who made arrests during the war, under Government authority, was referred. Resolutions were introduced, by Mr. Longyear, of Michigan, that the present condition of the Southern States justifies the suspension of the writ of habeas corpus and the maintaining of military possession, and thanking the President for employing military force to protect Union citizens and freedmen in those States. The resolutions were voted on separately and agreed so. A joint resolution was reported from the Committee on Foreign Affairs requiring the Secretary of the Navy to furnish a vessel to assist in laying a telegraph line across Behring's Straits was passed. The Committee on Elections reported that Mr. Henry L. Washburne is entitled to the seat now held by Mr. Voorhees, from the Ninth Congressional District of Indiana. The report was laid over. The consideration of the contested election case of the Sixteenth Congressional District of Pennsylvania, Cofforth vs. Koontz, was then resumed, and after a long debate Alexander H. Cofforth (Democrat) was declared entitled to the seat by a vote of ayes 58, nays 52, and was sworn in.

## VIRGINIA NEWS.

The State penitentiary, which has been under the charge of the military authorities since the evacuation, will be turned over this week to the civil authorities. The public guard, which is now fully organized, will relieve the army guard which has been on duty there. Preparatory to this change, all the political prisoners confined there are being removed. Amongst them, Dick Turner, who will be sent to the Libby; also, Professor Spaulding, of Georgetown College, who has been confined since July last at the penitentiary, charged with having violated usages of civilized warfare, by having invented and endeavored to put in practice some kind of infernal machine not recognized as legitimate.

The Lynchburg News, in noticing the Union meeting, so-called, recently held in Alexandria, asks "who is Mr. Wood, of Lynchburg? Is he the Federal Tax Assessor for this District? or is he some other Virginian Caesar, that has grown great upon Federal patronage, and thus feels himself bound to misrepresent the sentiments of the people of the State?"

The Court of Appeals of West Virginia having decided that lawyers are not required by the Constitution of that State to take the stringent test oath which some of the inferior courts had attempted to exact from them, the Senate has passed a bill making it obligatory upon them hereafter to take such an oath before being admitted to practice.

The discussion of the bill to charter the Valley Railroad Company, was further discussed in the Senate on Saturday. Mr. Bolling, of Petersburg, made an able and elaborate argument against the bill.

The Homestead Exemption bill, now before the Legislature, is warmly advocated by several of the Richmond papers. A bill of the kind, properly guarded, it seems to us would have a beneficial tendency.

A great revival of religion is in progress, we learn, in the M. E. Church at Front Royal. Many persons are connecting themselves with the church.

## BY ROSE &amp; CO., AUCTIONEERS.

**IMPORTANT AND PEREMPTORY AUCTION SALE** of about \$3,000 worth of FINE NEW GOODS, being a portion of the stock of one of the largest wholesale and retail houses in the trade. Sale to commence at our Store, No. 53, King street, on Tuesday afternoon, the 20th instant, at 2 o'clock P. M., and continue day and evening until the entire stock is closed out. This stock comprises in part a very fine assortment of Silver-Plated Ware, such as Breakfast and Dinner Castors, Cake Baskets, Goblets, Cups, Mugs, Forks, Spoons, Napkin Rings, Pocket Cutlery, &c. Photographic Albums, in variety. A large and choice assortment of Fine Oil Paintings and Engravings, copies from ancient paintings, by eminent American and European Artists. Historical Scenes, French Ornamental Lithographs, Imperial Photographs, Scenes in the Life of Our Saviour, with hundreds of other fine Pictures framed in the best mouldings. Gilt and Black Walnut Oval and Square Frames, for Photographs and other pictures. Gilt Frame Mirrors, Toilet Soaps and Perfumery, Pocket Books, Wallets, with an assortment of Gold Pens, and Silver Mounted Holders, Ladies' Pencils, with a full line of other goods. The attention of Country Dealers is requested, as the goods will be sold in lots to suit purchasers.—House-keepers and families are respectfully invited to attend this Sale, as the goods are all fine and new.

P. S.—The room will be comfortably heated, and seats provided for Ladies, who are respectfully invited to attend this sale.

J. A. ROSE & CO., Auctioneers.

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## Jewelry.

**GEORGE DUFFEY, CLOCK AND WATCHMAKER,** Has removed to No. 113, King street, two doors above Pitt.

WATCHES AND JEWELRY carefully repaired and with dispatch. He would respectfully ask a call from his former friends, and the public generally. All watch work warranted. au20—tf

**CANVASS AND COTTON STOCK.**—On hand a lot of CANVASS AND COTTON STOCK, suitable for Farmers use—a great deal of this is fine enough for wear. It will be sold much lower than new stock, and will answer the same purpose; also HARNESS, WAGONS, SCANTLINE, FEED TROUGHS, TABLES, &c., &c. PITKIN & CO., feb 17—tf Warehouse in rear of 21, King st.

**COAL!! COAL!! COAL!!!** 500 tons CUMBERLAND COAL, run of the mine, just received and for sale at a low figure. Orders will be promptly filled if left with BOWEN, BRO., & CO. feb 17—tf No. 1, foot of King st.

**WAGONS, AMBULANCES, HARNESS,** &c.—7 Wagons, 4 Horse, 4 Ambulances, 350 sets Ambulance, Lead and Wheel Harness, Check Rains, Lead Lines, Double Trees, Single Trees, Spreaders, &c., for sale by LEWIS MCKENZIE. feb 17—3t Union street.

**MONEY FOUND.**—A small roll of GREENBACKS was found on King street yesterday evening by the Mayor of the city, which the looser can recover by proving property and paying for this advertisement. feb 17—3t

**BOATS.**—5 Boats suitable for Fishermen, for sale by LEWIS MCKENZIE. feb 17—3t

**FOR SALE.**—A large lot of MANURE at the Grove Cattle Yard, upper end of King street. Enquire of George Tyler on the premises. Also the MILL HOUSE is for sale or rent. feb 15—tf

**POTATOES.**—40 bushels POTATOES, in store and for sale by J. C. MILBURN, Cor. Cam. & Royal sts. feb 15—tf Opposite the Market.

**LIQUORS.** 70 bbls. Old Rye Whiskey, some very superior. 10 bbls. Apple Brandy, Domestic Brandy and Gin. [fe 16—1m] T. A. BREWIS & CO.

**COAL FOR SALE, UNDER COVER,** (AT THE OLD STAND.) NO. 26 1/2, KING STREET. LORBERRY RED ASH, EGG AND STOVE, WHITE ASH, EGG AND STOVE. ALSO, CUMBERLAND LUMP AND RUN OF MINE. jan 16—3m

**F. G. SWAINE,** No. 23, North Royal street. Has constantly on hand a full supply, and is constantly receiving fresh invoices of GROCERIES, WINES, LIQUORS, and all other articles generally found in a first class GROCERY and LIQUOR STORE, and will sell as low as they can be bought in this market. sep 12—t

**BUCKWHEAT FLOUR.**—2,000 lbs. Buckwheat Flour for sale very low by feb 16—eo2w T. A. BREWIS & CO.

**JAS. RECTOR SMOOT, JOHN PERRY, SMOOT & PERRY,**

DEALERS IN LUMBER, NAILS, LIME, CEMENT, AND CALCINED PLASTER. No. 40 South Union Street. ALEXANDRIA, VA. jy 15—tf

**FOR RENT.**—The two lower rooms in the GAZETTE building, on Prince street, with gas, water, &c., admirably situated for offices. Or they can be both thrown into one and used for a store. Apply at the Gazette office. ja26—2w

**WANTED—LAND IN EXCHANGE FOR CITY PROPERTY.**—The business stand, known as the Parker House, on Duke street, Alexandria, a wooden house, three stories and basement, containing 16 rooms, will be exchanged for land in the neighboring counties. A fine bargain is here offered to any one wishing to exchange country for city property.—For further particulars apply to HILL & TUCKER, No. 125, King street. feb 5—tf

## ARE YOU AFFLICTED WITH A COUGH OR COLD?

## ARE YOU PREDISPOSED TO CONSUMPTION?

Are the lives of your children in jeopardy from sudden and repeated attacks of Croup?

If so purchase a box of BLADES' EUPHONIAL LUBRICATORS! The people's most sure and effectual remedy for Coughs, Colds, Croup, Catarrh, Asthma, Bronchitis, Diphtheria and all pulmonary diseases.

The LUBRICATOR is a medicinal preparation in the form of Lozenge, which of all modes is the most pleasant and convenient. They contain no deleterious ingredient, and are warranted to be always safe, even for the weakest and most sensitive stomach. In Croup they give immediate relief. For Coughs and Colds they are invaluable.

For Catarrh, Asthma, and Bronchitis they have no equal in the market, (vide Certificates accompanying each box.) Diphtheria, that dreaded and desolating disease, they control wonderfully and almost immediately.

No Public Speaker, Singer or Teacher, should be without them, as they remove hoarseness and strengthen and clear the voice.

Use Always use them in time, and if the symptoms are severe use very freely.

JANNEY & CO.,

Wholesale Agents,

145, King st., Alexandria, Va.

For sale by all druggists. feb 17—3m

**FOR RENT.**—THE STORE No. 53, King street. Possession can be given immediately. Apply to John West. jan 29—cotf

**HALL'S VEGETABLE SICILIAN HAIR RENEWER,**

Restores the Hair. RENEWS the Hair. HALL'S VEGETABLE SICILIAN HAIR RENEWER

Restores gray hair to its original color. HALL'S VEGETABLE SICILIAN HAIR RENEWER

Prevents the hair from falling off. HALL'S VEGETABLE SICILIAN HAIR RENEWER

Makes the hair soft and glossy. HALL'S VEGETABLE SICILIAN HAIR RENEWER

Does not stain the skin. HALL'S VEGETABLE SICILIAN HAIR RENEWER

Has proved itself the best preparation for the hair ever presented to the public. Price \$1.00 For sale by all druggists. jan 26—2m

**I. O. O. F.**

The members of POTOMAC LODGE, No. 38, respectfully announce that their SECOND LEVEE

will be held at the Hall on Columbus street, on THURSDAY EVENING, FEB. 22d, in honor of the birth of the IMMORTAL WASHINGTON.

Committee of Arrangements.—Chas. F. Webster, W. J. Mitchell, Henry Brengle, Charles Goodrich, R. M. Latham, Chas. Baum, James H. Pickens, Wesley Avery, J. D. Appleh, A. Kell, Samuel Tenneson, J. R. Davis, Enoch Cook, J. N. Rudd.

Marshal—Hugh Latham. Refreshments furnished the Ladies. TICKETS, \$2.

Coaches will call for the Ladies, commencing at 6 1/2 o'clock. Ceremonies will commence at 8 1/2 o'clock. feb 14—1w

## BOOTS AND SHOES!

## NEW STOCK!

## NEW STYLES!

## CHEAP!

Just received, a large and well selected stock of Ladies', Gent's, Misses, and Children's BOOTS, SHOES, and GAITERS, of every description, and of the latest styles. Ladies, in want of good and nice fitting shoes, for themselves and children, at very moderate prices, will do well to call at No. 80, King st. feb 15—tf JOHN T. EVANS.

**J. N. SEIGLE & CO.**

NO. 200, KING STREET. PRACTICAL MACHINISTS, Manufacturers and Repairers of all kinds of Machinery, Steam, Gas and Water Pipes, Locks, Keys, Guns, Pistols, Speaking Tubes, &c., &c. Saws filed, set, and recut.

Particular attention paid to the repairing of Sewing Machines. All orders properly executed, and at reasonable rates. jan 29—1m

## GREAT CHANGE AND A SPLENDID CHANCE FOR PURCHASERS.

CHARLES A. GLADKE'S CLOTHING HOUSE, 119, King street, is now selling out its entire stock of Clothing and Gent's Furnishing Goods, at less than cost, to make room for an entire new stock of Spring and Summer Goods. The above is only to be sold at a sacrifice up to March 1. Come early and secure great bargains. Yours respectfully, CHAS. A. GLADKE. feb 9—tm

## NEW WOOD YARD.

MR. J. JOHNSTON having opened a WOOD YARD on HENRY STREET, between King and Cameron, is prepared to offer the best seasoned pine and oak wood, in lots from one-fourth of a cord to one hundred cords, at

GREATLY REDUCED PRICES. Seasoned Pine Wood.....(delivered)..... \$6 Seasoned Oak..... 7.00 jan 26—1m J. JOHNSTON.

We are requested to state that GRAYVILLE J. KELLEY, of Fauquier county, will be supported for the office of President of the Orange and Alexandria Railroad, at the approaching meeting of the stockholders, on the 6th of March.—[Rich. Sentinel and Lynchburg papers copy and send bill.] feb 10—td

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